Introduced by Assembly Member Emmerson

February 18, 2005

An act to amend Section 66025 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 933, as introduced, Emmerson. Public postsecondary education: statewide student fee policy.

Existing law provides for a public postsecondary education system in this state. This system consists of 3 segments: the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the segments of the public postsecondary education system to charge various fees to their students.

This bill would require, notwithstanding any other provision of law, commencing with the 2006–07 fiscal year, the level of mandatory systemwide fees for resident undergraduate students at the University of California, the California State University, and any campus of the California Community Colleges to be set as an unspecified percentage of the total cost of instruction, as defined. The bill would apply to the University of California only to the extent that the Regents of the University of California act, by resolution, to make its provisions applicable.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 66025 of the Education Code is amended to read:

66025. (a) Systemwide fees charged to resident undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University shall be reduced for the 1998–99 fiscal year by 5 percent below the level charged during the 1997–98 fiscal year, and the systemwide fees charged to those students for the 1999-2000 fiscal year shall be reduced by 5 percent below the level charged during the 1998–99 fiscal year. Systemwide education and registration fees charged to resident graduate students at the University of California and the California State University for the 1999–2000 fiscal year shall be reduced by 5 percent below the level charged those resident students for the 1997-98 fiscal year. This subdivision does not apply to resident students pursuing a course of study leading to a professional degree who are subject to a supplemental fee pursuant to the policy of the University of California.

- (b) Notwithstanding Section 76300 or any other provision of law, commencing with the 2005–06 fiscal year, the level of mandatory systemwide fees and tuition for resident undergraduate students at the University of California, the California State University, and any campus of the California Community Colleges shall be set as _____ percent of the total cost of instruction. As used in this section, "total cost of instruction" shall be calculated on the basis of the amount of money provided in the annual Budget Act for the segments of public postsecondary education to fund a full-time equivalent student in each segment.
- (c) No provision of this section shall apply to the University of California except to the extent that the Regents of the University of California, by appropriate resolution, make that provision applicable.